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## WATER REPELLENT TEXTILE FINISHES AND METHOD OF MAKING ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A composition that is preferably an aqueous emulsion is disclosed that comprises:

- a compound of a defined formula comprising a silicon moiety and an epoxy functionality;
- 2) a compound of a defined formula comprising a silicon moiety and an alkoxy functionality;
  - 3) a crosslinker of a defined formula comprising a silicon moiety; and
  - 4) a catalyst.

Upon treating fibers or fabrics with the composition, a condensation reaction product is formed upon reaction with the catalyst at curing temperatures that imparts superior durability, water repellency, and softness to the fibers or fabrics.